

LITERARY ITEMS.

Wilkie Collins's "Man and Wife" is all printed in book form, and will be completed in *Harper's Weekly* in a week or a fortnight.

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